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H. R. 4621

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and
Governmental Affairs

AN ACT

To protect the integrity of the constitutionally mandated
United States census and prohibit deceptive mail prac-
tices that attempt to exploit the decennial census.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Prevent Deceptive Cen-
3 sus Look Alike Mailings Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENTS FOR MAIL BEARING THE TERM**
5 **“CENSUS” ON THE ENVELOPE OR OUTSIDE**
6 **COVER OR WRAPPER.**

7 (a) MATTER SOLICITING PURCHASE OF A PRODUCT
8 OR SERVICE.—Section 3001(h) of title 39, United States
9 Code, is amended—

10 (1) by inserting, in the matter preceding para-
11 graph (1), “; or which bears the term ‘census’ on the
12 envelope or outside cover or wrapper” after “such
13 matter by the Federal Government”;

14 (2) in paragraph (2), by redesignating subpara-
15 graphs (A), (B), and (C) as clauses (i), (ii), and
16 (iii), respectively;

17 (3) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2), and
18 (3) as subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C), respectively;

19 (4) by inserting “(1)” after “(h)”; and

20 (5) by adding at the end the following new
21 paragraph:

22 “(2) In the case of matter bearing the term ‘census’
23 on the envelope or outside cover or wrapper, in addition
24 to satisfying one of the exceptions contained in paragraphs
25 (1)(A), (1)(B), or (1)(C), such envelope or outside cover

1 or wrapper bears on its face an accurate return address
2 including the name of the entity that sent such matter.”.

3 (b) MATTER SOLICITING INFORMATION OR CON-
4 TRIBUTION OF FUNDS.—Section 3001(i) of title 39,
5 United States Code, is amended—

6 (1) by inserting, in the matter preceding para-
7 graph (1), “; or which bears the term ‘census’ on the
8 envelope or outside cover or wrapper” after “such
9 matter by the Federal Government”;

10 (2) in paragraph (2), by redesignating subpara-
11 graphs (A), (B), and (C) as clauses (i), (ii), and
12 (iii), respectively;

13 (3) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2), and
14 (3) as subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C), respectively;

15 (4) by inserting “(1)” after “(i)”; and

16 (5) by adding at the end the following new
17 paragraph:

18 “(2) In the case of matter bearing the term ‘census’
19 on the envelope or outside cover or wrapper, in addition
20 to satisfying one of the exceptions contained in paragraphs
21 (1)(A), (1)(B), or (1)(C), such envelope or outside cover

- 1 or wrapper bears on its face an accurate return address
- 2 including the name of the entity that sent such matter.”.

Passed the House of Representatives March 10,
2010.

Attest: LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk.